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## MRS. HOUGHTON LOST

New Placer Discoveries Reported on Sucker Lake, Beyond Atlin.

Mr. J. E. Gandy, a prominent business man of Spokane, Wash., arrived in Skagway yesterday noon from Atlin, which he had left the preceding evening. Mr. Gandy is the party who went in last week to take up Mrs. Houghton's bond to purchase Discovery claim on Pine creek in the Atlin country for \$30,000. The bond expired at noon on the 28th of August, and the party arrived there only one hour before the appointed time, and everybody would have been happy as the day is long but for a ruling made by Judge Irving after Mrs. Houghton had left here for Spokane early last month. It appears that Judge Irving's first award as to the size of Discovery made it 500 feet long and extending to rim rock on either side of the creek. This made the claim 500 feet long and extending 1000 feet on each side of the creek. Mrs. Houghton so represented it to her patrons in Spokane, and Mr. Gandy came up to pay over the money; but on their arrival they found that Judge Irving had rendered a later decision, which eliminated the bench claims, and they contained the best hydraulic proposition. Under these circumstances Mr. Gandy concluded that his friends would not want the mine, and so he declined to pay over the money. This was a great disappointment to Mrs. Houghton, especially as there was the neat sum of \$15,000 in the bank to her credit as the net output of the mine during the thirty days it was bonded to her, it having been so stipulated in the contract. The owners of Discovery had previously taken \$25,000 out of it, making a total of \$37,000 which had been taken from the mine up to the 28th of August. Mr. Gandy says he saw several of the daily clean-ups on the mine, which ran from 52 to 65 ounces of dust.

Mr. Gandy also reports that on Tuesday afternoon some men came into Atlin and recorded a number of placer locations, saying that they had discovered a placer country thirty-two miles southeast of Surprise lake that would double discount the Atlin district.

Mr. Gandy is en route for his home in Spokane, not having acquired any interests in the Atlin country.

## The Glacier District.

A Juneau paper says that a big quartz discovery has been made on Glacier bay by L. A. Moore, O. A. Holm and Neil Ward. The lode is 500 feet wide and five streams from six to three feet have been prospected and the ore from each will be sent to Tacoma for a mill run. The property is near tide water.

Drop in at Magnuson's bowling alley, Holly and State, 9-5-1m

Relay posts operated by The Bennett Lake & Klondike Navigation Co., between Dawson and White Horse, also large quantities of dog feed and other provisions. Apply B. L. & K. N. Co., Bennett and Skagway. 9-5-1m

For Sale.

The three English school boys and the son of a German wine merchant will continue their journey to the interior today, but Mr. Victor Gilmer will be on hand when wanted to answer the charge against him.

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The story is a lengthy one, the basis for the arrest having been laid in Montreal nearly three weeks ago. The four young men, all of whom are English except Hess who is a German, made up their party in Switzerland and started for the Klondike on an excursion with outfits for a two years' sojourn, the object of the trip being explorations and scientific research. All the four young men are highly educated and carry with them letters from some of the most distinguished statesmen and educators of Europe.

Before leaving Switzerland, where they had been in college, they purchased a large number of Swiss watch movements which they expected to sell at a profit on reaching the Klondike metropolis. They also brought with them uncut diamonds to the value of about \$2000. At Montreal one of the four, in the presence of an American treasury detective, changed to speak of their stock of Swiss watch movements, and the treasury agent, thinking that it was the intention to smuggle the goods into the States from Victoria, telegraphed the collector of customs at Port Townsend, Wash., to keep a sharp lookout for a Jew and three young Englishmen. The result was that when the party arrived at Victoria from Montreal there was an American customs inspector there to "shadow" them. Learning that the party was coming north instead of going to the States, the "shadow" telegraphed for instructions and was ordered to follow the quartette to Alaska. He did so, and when Captain Thomas, inspector of customs, was taken aboard the Tees at Mary Island, he was taken into the confidence of the sound officer and the four suspects were designated to him. At Wrangell the sound inspector stopped off, Inspector A. C. Audon of that place, coming on in company with Captain Thomas.

Immediately on stepping ashore at this place the four young foreigners were marched into the warehouse where their persons and hand baggage were carefully searched. No Swiss watch movements were found, but in a small belt worn by Gilmer, were found the stones above mentioned. Deputy Marshal Drew was sent for and the four young men were arrested; they were not locked up but were allowed to remain in the care of Captain Thomas at the Fifth Avenue hotel until the trial came up yesterday morning.

The trial was one which stirred the sympathies of all present. All the boys told the same simple, straightforward story accounting for the belt and diamonds. The story was substantially as follows:

At Victoria the boys purchased their outfit from various dealers, but principally from Leiser & Co., wholesale outfitters, and to the latter place all the other purchases, including the Swiss watch movements, were taken, and Leiser & Co. packed and bonded the goods. In all 140 packages, through to Dawson. The diamonds, on the advice of Leiser & Co., the clerk at the Grand Hotel and others, were not bonded, as the package was small, and the transportation companies stipulate that they are not responsible for losses. In view of the above advice, Mr. Gilmer carried the diamonds on his person, and each of the four testified that it was their intention to either bond them from here or pay duty on their arrival.

While Judge Schilbrede felt deeply for Mr. Gilmer in his dilemma, he could not do other than blind him over to the district court, the ball being fixed at \$800 which was put up in cash. Deputy Collector Andrews has charge of the diamonds.

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The boys were ably defended by Colonel James Leddy, of the firm of Leddy & Dillon, who entered into the case with his proverbial vigor, irreproachable gentility of manners and usual confident and soothing style.

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## BROTHER JOHN IN HARD LUCK

Young Englishman in Trouble Through Innocence.

## TOOK BAD ADVICE

Victor Gilmer Carries Letters From Lord Salisbury and is Charged With Smuggling Diamonds—Took Advice From Friends and Became Liable to American Laws—Officers Did Their Worst Duty—John is Disgusted.

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## THE HOSPITAL BENEFIT

The Beautiful and Accomplished Prima Donna Soprano Will Appear.

The great society event of the year, if not the most pre-eminent within the history of the Alaskan metropolis, will be the grand concert and dress soiree to be given next Monday evening at Firemen's hall for the benefit of Bishop Rowe hospital, a most deserving institution. The ladies of Skagway have taken the matter in hand, and they were fortunate in securing the services of the prima donna soprano, Madame Bluet, as the star attraction for the concert. This will be the greatest musical treat ever given in Alaska, and as the proceeds are to be devoted to a most worthy object, every good citizen of Skagway should give it his utmost support. After the dress soiree which will follow the concert, the ladies will serve refreshments, and the most recherche affair of the season will be the grand concert given next Monday night.

The Klondike Nugget of August 5th last, in speaking of the grand concert given in Dawson on the previous Thursday evening, said, "Madame Bluet, whose rich melodious voice has entranced hundreds of audiences in the great cities of Europe and America, was the star of the entertainment, and each of her efforts was greeted with repeat recalls. In addition to a voice thoroughly cultured and of splendid range, she adds to the effect of her singing a stage presence as rare as it is pleasing. At the close of the entertainment Mrs. Bluet was presented with a beautiful bouquet of choice flowers."

## MINES AT WHITE HORSE

Preparations Being Made to Develop Rich Copper Lodes.

Frank Burns, who is connected with the White Horse Rapids Tramway company, returned last night after a long stay at that point. He reports that the firm is doing a rushing business and is handling all the freights that offer. The team average about 70 to 100 tons a day and is fully able to handle any freight that comes down the river. He discredits the assertion that there is a blockade at any place along the river. When he left White Horse there were 185 tons of freight at Miles, the entrance of the canyon, waiting to go over the tram. At the lower end of White Horse Rapids there were 250 tons awaiting shipment and three steamers were due to arrive that day.

Mr. Burns says that the copper mines just below the rapids are creating great excitement and much capital has already been put in them. Many mercantile houses are starting at White Horse and it is thought that a town will be built at that point. The British American corporation, which has recently bought several large mines in British Columbia, has bought up everything in sight and is preparing to place machinery in position to work the mines. Mr. Burns did not remember the latest assay, but it is great enough to make a valuable paying proposition.

Mrs. Frank Burns, who recently returned to White Horse, came out with her husband last night. He intends to make a flying business trip to Seattle.

Next Sunday the steamer Alert will take passengers to Haines at \$1.50 for the round trip, and the first fifteen buying their tickets will be taken to the great Carmichael ledge across Pyramid harbor without extra charge. See C. Carmichael or Captain Hall.

New crop Eastern Washington hay just received at Lilly Bros.

Woman cook wanted at Bishop Rowe Hospital.

The new double breasted waistcoat suits at Cheney's Boston Store.

The Occidental hotel is the best hotel in Alaska for the general traveling public. Best accommodations and reasonable prices.

Boys' linen collars. Cheney's Boston Store.

For Rent—Furnished or unfurnished rooms for housekeeping, by Fonas & Swanson, the carpenters, south side of Fourth avenue, east of Broadway. 8-31-1m

The Clifford Sifton is the fastest boat between Dawson and Skagway, and connects with all steamships. Al. McGillis, Skagway agent of Dominion Steamboat Line, third door above depot building.

To the ladies. New fall goods just received. Five Alaska Co., opposite post office. 27-8-1m.

Drill steel and miners' tools at W. L. Green's.

Monarch Shirts at Cheney's Boston Store.

Swiss novelties in neck wear at Cheney's Boston store.

High grade goods and your money's worth at Cheney's Boston Store.

Cheney's Boston Store—Furnishers.

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Dogs Wanted. Inquire of E. J. Brooks, Hotel Astoria.

A fresh stock of Marguerite cigars has been received by the Commissary.

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## JOHN PATTEN WINS AGAINST BLACKETT

Lot Jumping Case Was Not Case of Lot Jumping.

## SO SAYS THE JURY

Hard Fought Legal Battle Decided Against Abandoned Judge Day and Bob Jennings Cross Swords—Latter Goes Home With Broom on Each Shoulder.

Every reader of the DAILY ALASKAN is conversant with the alleged "lot jumping" case which has agitated the minds of many of our citizens, especially owners and claimants of unimproved lots, during the past three weeks. On the 14th of last month John H. Patten, a pioneer resident and well known young man of this city, took possession of the lot and premises on the corner of Fourth and State streets, which lot and premises had some months previously been claimed, improved and occupied by a foreigner named J. St. Clair Blackett. As agent for the latter, Mr. Phil Abrams, one of the most highly respected and successful business men of Skagway, contested Patten's right to possession of the property. The strong arm of the law with its accompanying all was invoked. Patten was arrested and brought before Judge Schilbrede. Then began the spirited legal contest the first heat of which was fought yesterday.

Judge H. Day appeared for the Blackett interests while R. W. Jennings represented Patten. Legally it should have been a bitter rivalry, but the verdict indicates that it was not.

The claim of the plaintiff that the lot was forcibly jumped and forcibly held and possessed was not sustained by the evidence, which showed that a spirit peaceful and docile, pervaded the anatomy of Mr. Patten in the taking and possessing process which he exercised in assuming possession of the property.

On general principles the people of Skagway will not tolerate lot jumping, but the principal points made by the defendant's attorney in this case, were that Blackett had abandoned the property, moved his family back to his native north, English territory, and was not entitled, being an alien, to hold real estate in U. S. territory, for speculative purposes. As attorney for Patten Mr. Jennings made a strong point and a hard fight on the above proposition.

The case was ably handled on both sides and the verdict was not unexpected to the few citizens who had taken the trouble to investigate the merits of the case.

Four of Skagway's pioneer residents, Messrs. R. R. Mitchell, J. H. Diers, Henry Baldie and Fred Erick composed the jury.

Judge Day gave notice of appeal, and John H. Patten slept last night in undisturbed repose on his newly confirmed acquirement.

Another Purchase.

Last Saturday week Capt. John Irving, T. Dunn and Mr. Wilson of Victoria, completed the purchase of the Caledonia group on Pine creek, which consists of fifteen 10-foot claims lying in the vicinity of Pine Tree hotel, and has been so far worked very successfully on the cooperative plan. The price paid was way up in the thousands and a big hydraulic plant will be added to the group, which now has 1500 feet of flumes and 1000 feet of sluice boxes.

Gold for World's Fair.

Col. F. R. Miles, brother of conductor Miles, passed through Skagway last week en route to Dawson for the purpose of procuring gold dust to the value of \$1000 from each creek in the Klondike. The dust is to be exhibited at the World's Fair next year in Paris, and it is said the Canadian government undertakes to return the dust or pay the value of it after the fair. Col. Miles is expected to return from Dawson in about a month.

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